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21 SUBJECT: MUR 6528 (Michael Grimm for Congress, *et al.*)
22 Close Entire File
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25 This matter was generated by a complaint alleging that former U.S. Representative
26 Michael Grimm and Michael Grimm for Congress and Nancy H. Watkins in her official capacity
27 as treasurer (the "Committee") solicited and received contributions that violated various
28 provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). On April 22,
29 2015, the Commission found reason to believe that the Committee violated 52 U.S.C.
30 §§ 30104(b), 30116(f), and 30122. On October 5, 2015, the Commission found reason to believe
31 that the Committee and Michael Grimm knowingly and willfully violated 11 C.F.R. § 110.20,
32 and entered into pre-probable cause conciliation with Grimm and the Committee. In addition,
33 the Commission took no action on the allegations that Grimm knowingly and willfully violated
34 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(f) and 30122, and took no further action on the previous reason to believe
35 findings that the Committee violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30104(b), 30116(f), and 30122.
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37 At that time, the Commission also took no action on the allegations that Ofer Biton,
38 Rabbi Yoshiyahu Yosef Pinto, Mosdot Shuva Israel Synagogue, and Unknown Respondents A,
39 B, and C violated the Act and closed the file as to them.
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